

## IARPA REASON Research Project: Capabilities Statement for John Pyrik

I can provide your team with insight on the day-to-day reality of working in the IC and an “outside” perspective.

I am a former Canadian intelligence analyst, but very familiar with the American IC from professional interactions and training that I received from the FBI and CIA.

I have served in multiple government agencies and have taught analytic techniques and writing for 17 years.

My work experience is in investigations (counter-terrorism and securities fraud), analysis (money laundering), and the training of analysts (within Canada and abroad).

- Chief of Analytic Training, Canadian Security Intelligence Service, 2012-2017
- Manager, Intelligence Analyst Learning Program, Privy Council Office, 2005-2012
- Visiting Scholar, Carleton University, Ottawa, 2005
- Analyst / Team Leader, Financial Transactions and Reports Analysis, 2002-2005
- Head, Surveillance & Intelligence Unit, B.C. Securities Commission, 1996-2002
- Intelligence Officer, Canadian Security Intelligence Service, 1990-1996

I have two awards from the Canadian Association of Professional Intelligence Analysts, one for “Advancing the Tradecraft of Analysis” and the other for “Outstanding Achievement”.

I have contributed chapters to two books and co-authored one textbook.

- FINTRAC, Pyrik, J. Chapter in [Top Secret Canada](#). Carvin and Juneau, eds. 2021.
- [Analyst's Guide to Indicators](#), Pherson, R. and Pyrik, J. 2018.
- [Communicating Risk](#), Pyrik, J. Chapter in Intelligence Communication in the Digital Era: Transforming Security, Defence and Business. Acros and Pherson, eds. Palgrave Pivot, 2015. DOI <https://doi.org/10.1057/9781137523792>

I retired from government in 2017 but continue to write, teach, and consult on matters related to intelligence analysis. I am currently an instructor and program advisor for intelligence studies at the [Justice Institute of British Columbia](#) where my research interests include:

- the role of algorithms and Big Data in intelligence,
- bias in the selection and weighting of evidence, and
- how to improve communication with consumers of intelligence.

I look forward to discussing how I can help your team.

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